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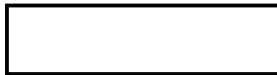
1. "The following has been learned from members of the Tallinn DOSAAF club.
2. "Every year in October applicants are admitted to 'Courses of instruction for DOSAAF pilots' in Tallinn and the other towns of Estonia. The courses take place at the local aero clubs, and the instructors are reserve pilots of the air force
3. "In recent years only very young people have been admitted to these courses:
  - a. Age between 17 and 21
  - b. Education no less than seven classes
  - c. Good health and GTO (Gotov k trudu i oborone - Ready for work and defense) norms passed
  - d. Members or candidates of membership of the Komsomol.
4. "The courses last one year. Tuition is carried on in the free time of the participants who keep their normal jobs.
5. "The courses start on November 1. The theoretical subjects and all ground work are taught in winter while the summer is devoted to flying. Normally the pupils have two to three hours of lessons weekly.
6. "The training is based on 'KULT-53' (Kurs uchebno-letnoi podgotovki 153 - course of flight training 1953) and MU KULT-1953 (Methodical directions for the course of flight training 1953).
7. "This course provides that the DOSAAF pilot's are to have a minimum of 132 hours of training and normally 148 hours of training yearly:
  - a. Theoretical and ground training 100 hours
  - b. Flights with instructor 17 hours

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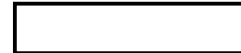
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- c. Independent flights 13 hours
- d. Test flights 8 hours
- e. Examination flights 10 hours

The total is 100 hours of theoretical training and 48 hours of flight.

8. "Training begins on UT-2 planes and ends on YeK-18 planes which are ~~at present considered the most perfected training planes and used as such even in the air force.~~
9. "All instructors for the training of DOSAAF pilots are at present confirmed by the deputy chairman of the All-Union DOSAAF Central Committee, Guards flight Lt.-Gen. N. P. KAMANIN.
10. "The equipment of the Tallinn Aero club was inspected in 1953 by Flight Major-General V. GHIRUSOV and Flight Major-General I. VORONETS."

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